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- 1. Getting To and From The Airports: All three local airports (DCA, IAD, BWI) are accessible by public transportation.
- Ronald Reagan-Washington National is located walking distance to the Washington/Reagan National Airport Metro Stop on the blue and yellow Metrorail Lines. Time to city is approximately 20 minutes.
- From Washington Dulles you can take the "5A" bus to the Rosslyn Metro Stop on the orange Metrorail line. Time to city is approximately 1 hour and 20 minutes.
- Once you arrive at Baltimore Washington International Airport take the "B30" bus to the
  Greenbelt Metro Stop on the green Metrorail line. There are also shuttles that take you to the
  nearest AMTRAK/MARC station. Trips to Union Station cost \$12. MARC Trains only run
  Monday through Friday. AMTRAK is open 7 days a week but closes at 10:45 p.m. Time to city
  is approximately 2 hours and 30 minutes, if using the metro. Time to city using AMTRAK or
  MARC Trains is only 45 minutes.
- To reserve a Super Shuttle call (202) 296-6662 or go to their website at <a href="www.supershuttle.com">www.supershuttle.com</a>. Approximate cost to city from BWI is \$37. Approximate cost to city from IAD or DCA is \$14. Time to city varies depending on number of passengers.
- 2. Using Washington Metrorail: There are five color-coded lines on Metrorail (red, orange, yellow, green, blue).
- Fares vary for Metrorail depending on the length of the journey and the time of day. The minimum fare is \$1.35 one way, with a maximum fare of \$2.35 depending on the length of your trip. During peak periods (5-9:30 a.m., 3-7 p.m., 2 a.m.-3 p.m.) the minimum fare is \$1.65 and the maximum fare is \$4.50.
- A SmarTrip Card offers Metrorail discounts and can be used with Metrobus. SmarTrip cards can
  be purchased at Metro Center or other commuter stores.
   Website: http://www.wmata.com/fares/purchase/where.cfm#busdivisions
- The Metro runs until midnight Sunday through Thursday and until 3 A.M. Friday and Saturday nights.
- 3. Using the Metrobus: Metrobuses are often used when traveling short distances or going to obscure locations.
- Fares are \$1.35 if you pay in cash (mind you, bus drivers can not give change) and \$1.25 if you pay with your SmarTrip card. If you're transferring from the Metrorail to Metrobus you receive a 50 cent discount if you use your SmarTrip card.
- 4. Taxis: You can grab a Taxi nearly anywhere in the D.C. Metropolitan Area.
- D.C. Taxi Fare Estimator: <a href="https://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-srv/metro/interactives/taxifares/">www.washingtonpost.com/wp-srv/metro/interactives/taxifares/</a>
- Passengers pay an initial fare of \$3 for the first 1/6 of a mile and 40 cents for every 1/6 of a mile after that. Taxi rides charge \$1.50 per passenger over two passengers. There is also a \$1.50+ charge for luggage depending on its weight.
- Yellow Cab: (202) 544-1212 or (202) 829-4222/ Diamond Cab: (202) 387-2222



- 1. Adams Morgan: A vibrant and cosmopolitan neighborhood that features international dining, shopping and some of the best nightlife. Its main commercial street (18<sup>th</sup> street) boasts some of the best bars and clubs around town.
- 2. Dupont Circle: This busy space has it all: fine dining, excellent bars and beautiful embassies. The neighborhood also hosts the largest collection of private art galleries in Washington D.C.
- 3. U Street Corridor: U Street thrives with D.C. culture and is home to some of the city's most popular landmarks. During the early 1900s, U Street was known as "Black Broadway" because of its jazz joints and soul food.
- 4. Georgetown: Arguably the most stylish neighborhood in D.C. There are tons of stores along M street, including everything from vintage retail to big name brands. Georgetown does not have its own Metrorail stop. But the neighborhood is walking distance from the Foggy Bottom/ George Washington University and the Rosslyn Metrorail station. Georgetown can also be reached by any '30' bus running down Wisconsin Avenue.
- 5. Capitol Hill/Eastern Market: The mecca for politics. Capitol Hill is where you'll find the Capitol, the National Mall and all the monuments and memorials that come along with it. On the weekends, the nearby open-air market sells food, crafts and antiques.
- 6. Alexandria, VA (Old Town): Alexandria has a charm of its own with its colonial architecture, unique boutiques and first class dining. Situated right outside the Washington area, its closest Metrorail stop is King Street Station.
- 7. Bethesda, MD: This up and coming neighborhood in Maryland is perfect for those who don't want to get caught in a tourist trap. Affordable housing and loads of entertainment options make this a great place to consider for a night out on the weekend.
- 8. Foggy Bottom: This neighborhood is buzzing with George Washington University students. Besides its college scene, Foggy Bottom also hosts a range of art venues and political landmarks.
- 9. Columbia Heights: Another one of D.C.'s changing spaces, this neighborhood thrives with culture. Here you can find the GALA Hispanic Theatre as well as the Dance Institute of Washington.
- 10. Silver Spring, MD: Silver Spring is one of the last stops on the red line. Here you can go see new and classic movies at the wonderful AFI Silver Theatre and Cultural Center.



## 1. Housing on University Campuses

 George Washington University: Located at the Foggy Bottom/GWU Metrorail station. George Washington provides housing for long stay summer interns and GW students enrolled in summer courses.

Website: <a href="http://www.gwired.gwu.edu/gwhousing/summerhousing">http://www.gwired.gwu.edu/gwhousing/summerhousing</a>

American University: Competitively priced housing in a friendly neighborhood.
 Residence halls come equipped with air-conditioning and wireless internet.
 Website:

http://www.american.edu/ocl/housing/suummer\_housing\_conferences/intern\_housing.ht ml

• Catholic University: Catholic University provides summer housing for summer students, interns and co-ops. Services include laundry, cable, a food court and 24 hour emergency staff assistance.

Website: http://conferences.cua.edu/summer/

## 2. Shared Houses/Apartments

 Craigslist: Craigslist is an internet database of classifieds, advertising everything from garage sale junk to apartment leases. Always be careful when signing a contract with a seller online.

Website: http://Washingtondc.craigslist.org

• Sublet.com: Apartment rooms and houses for rent for temporary and long term leases. Website: <a href="https://www.sublet.com">www.sublet.com</a>

• DChousing.net: Guest houses, shares, sublets and a slew of resources for those looking for cheap living situations.

Website: www.dchousing.net

## 3. Washington Intern Student Housing (WISH)

Fully furnished townhouses and apartments in the Capitol Hill neighborhood.
 Website: www.internsdc.com

## 4. The Washington Center

 The Washington Center offers housing to summer interns who apply to live in their housing facilities. Housing is fully furnished and includes all basic amenities. Website: <a href="http://www.twc.edu/students/where.shtml">http://www.twc.edu/students/where.shtml</a>



#### 1. Theatre Discounts

• Studio Theatre: Hip, young playwrights keep the stage alive. A student ID will automatically give you \$5 discount on your ticket.

Website: <a href="https://www.studiotheatre.org">www.studiotheatre.org</a> Metro: Dupont Circle & U Street/African American Memorial

• Theater J: Jewish themed theater. Student tickets are half price (\$15) Website: <a href="www.washingtondcjcc.org">www.washingtondcjcc.org</a> Metro: Dupont Circle

 Rorschach Theatre: This is where you'll find bizarre productions produced the unsung talent of Washington D.C. Tickets are \$13.50 with a student ID.
 Website: <a href="https://www.rorschachtheatre.com">www.rorschachtheatre.com</a> Metro: Foggy Bottom/GWU

#### 2. Restaurant Discounts

 Brion's Grille: If you're a sports lover, this is your place. A great happy hour with student discounts for appetizers.

Website: www.brionsgrille.com Metro: Fairfax

 JoJo Restaurant & Bar: A great restaurant for small and large tapas of fish or meat. Jazz bands play nightly and student discounts apply.
 Website: <a href="https://www.restaurant.com/microsite.asp?rid=312423&rpid=3406">www.restaurant.com/microsite.asp?rid=312423&rpid=3406</a> Metro: U

Street/African American Memorial

• Tuscany Café: While a little on the pricy side, their student discounts can help you out. Fresh bread and pizzas with over a dozen different toppings make this a nice restaurant for a night on the town.

Website: www.tuscany-cafe.com Metro: Foggy Bottom/GWU

• McFadden's Restaurant and Saloon: McFadden's is known as an after-work spot for interns and students alike. On Wednesday's you can play board games or Xbox. Student discounts for drinks and appetizers anytime except during happy hour.

Website: <a href="https://www.mcfaddensdc.com">www.mcfaddensdc.com</a> Metro: Foggy Bottom/GWU



1. National Mall: Home to the Washington Monument, Smithsonian Museums, the National Gallery of Art and the Capitol.

Website: <a href="https://www.smithsonian.org">www.nps.gov/nama</a> Cost: Tea Tours (\$25)/Free Metro: Smithsonian

2. Washington National Cathedral: Tea and specialty tours Tuesdays and Wednesdays. President Woodrow Wilson is buried here.

Website: www.cathedral.org Cost: Free Metro: Woodley Park/Adams Morgan

3. Arlington National Cemetery: Holds the tomb of the Unknown Soldier, JFK Eternal Flame Gravesite and the graves of other famous astronauts, presidents and politicians. Truly a beautiful sight.

Website: www.arlingtoncemetery.org Cost: Free Metro: Arlington Cemetery

4. National Zoo: Right near the Woodley Park Metrorail station, the National Zoo is great place to spend a weekend afternoon. You can see the baby panda Tai Shan or the recently born clouded leopard cubs.

Website: www.nationalzoo.si.edu Cost: Free Metro: Woodley Park/Adams Morgan

- 5. U.S Holocaust Museum: Photographs, memorabilia and interactive exhibits all displaying the horrors of World War II and the Nazi Regime's persecution of six million Jews. Website: www.ushmm.org Cost: Free Metro: Smithsonian
- 6. Co Co. Sala: A swanky chocolate lounge and boutique located right near the Verizon Center. There are over 15 different kinds of delectable chocolates to choose from, including everything from pear caramel to banana ginger.

Website: <a href="www.cocosala.com">www.cocosala.com</a> Cost: \$2.50 per piece Metro: Gallery Place/Chinatown

7. International Spy Museum: A recent addition to Washington D.C., this museum exhibits all things espionage, subterfuge and 007 related.

Website: <a href="https://www.spymuseum.org">www.spymuseum.org</a> Cost: \$18 Metro: Gallery Place/Chinatown

8. Peddle Boat Rides on the Tidal Basin: A great summer activity to see the city and

nature. During your ride you can witness all of D.C.'s splendid architecture. Website: www.tidalbasinpeddleboats.com Cost: \$10/Hour Metro: Metro Center

9. US National Arboretum: 466 acres of beautiful flora and fauna. The perfect place to visit on a summer afternoon.

Website: www.usna.usda.gov Cost: Free Metro: Stadium Armory



1. Kramer Book's: In the middle of a bookstore, Afterwords Café sells excellent entrees and desserts. Slightly pricy, but great for a special occasion.

Website: <a href="https://www.kramers.com">www.kramers.com</a> Cost: \$12-26 Metro: Dupont Circle

2. Ben's Chili Bowl: One of Washington's most famous institutions just recently celebrated 50 years of business. An absolute must for anyone who enjoys a good burger or hot dog. Since President Obama's recent visit, the restaurant has built an extension called 'Next Door,' which serves their signature burgers and drinks.

Website: www.benschilibowl.com Cost: \$5-10 Metro: U Street/African American Memorial

3. La Loma's: A great place to enjoy Mexican dishes on a summer patio. A full taco platter costs only \$10.

Website: <a href="https://www.lalomarestaurant.com">www.lalomarestaurant.com</a> Cost: \$10-18 Metro: Union Station

- 4. Georgetown Cupcakes: Right off M Street this bakery makes the finest cupcakes and pastries around. If you're going on the weekends, prepare for a line.

  Website: <a href="https://www.georgetowncupcake.com">www.georgetowncupcake.com</a> Cost: \$2.75/each Metro: Foggy Bottom/GWU
- 5. Five Guys: Think of the best burger you've ever had and forget about it. This D.C. franchise has won awards with Zagat's, City Paper and the Washingtonian for its cheap eats. Website: <a href="https://www.fiveguys.com">www.fiveguys.com</a> Cost: \$5-7 Metro: Dupont Circle
- 6. The Diner: "Serving early birds, night owls and everyone in between." Comfort food served till the wee hours of the morning.

Website: <a href="https://www.tryst.com/diner">www.tryst.com/diner</a> Cost: \$10-20 Metro: Woodley Park-Adams Morgan

- 7. Two Amys: Wonderful Neapolitan pizzas cooked in wood-burning ovens. Two Amy's is a great place to share a nice evening out with friends or grab a Sunday lunch. Website: <a href="https://www.2amys.com">www.2amys.com</a> Cost: \$9-13 Metrobus: Any '30' Bus
- 8. Jaleo: A fine Spanish restaurant serving over 60 different cold and hot tapas. Jaleo translates to "merry-making," so head on over to one of their multiple locations if you're looking for a good time.

Website: <a href="www.jaleo.com">www.jaleo.com</a> Cost: \$6-30 Metro: Bethesda, Gallery Place/Chinatown, Crystal City

9. Raku: Pan-Asian dishes, outdoor seating and quick service make this a great summer place to eat outside.

Website: <a href="https://www.raku.com">www.raku.com</a> Cost: \$12-20 Metro: Dupont Circle



1. The Front Page: Located right near Dupont Circle, this is a popular destination for after work meet ups. Happy Hour: Monday-Friday 4-7 p.m. \$2.75 domestics, \$2.75 rail drinks, half price appetizers.

Website: <a href="https://www.frontpagerestaurant.com">www.frontpagerestaurant.com</a> Metro: Dupont Circle

- 2. Chef Geoff's: One of the most popular happy hour spots for students. On Mondays and Tuesdays you can enjoy a \$5 bistro burger and a super mug (Huge!) of domestic beer for \$7.95. Website: <a href="https://www.chefgeoff.com">www.chefgeoff.com</a> Metro: Tenley-Town/American University
- 3. Dan's Café: In the heart of Adams Morgan, this place serves in bulk. For four vodka tonics, you get a Styrofoam plate of limes, a large bottle of tonic and a cup of straight vodka, all for around \$13.

Website: www.cheapdcbars.com/location/adams.ht Metro: Woodley Park/Adams Morgan

4. The Brickseller: Serving over 1000 beers from all around the world, this is the prime place to wet your whistle. Food is also served. Beers start at \$5.

Website: www.lovethebeer.com Metro: Dupont Circle

5. 9:30 Club: The premiere music venue in Washington D.C. This venue brings in some of the best local acts as well as the biggest names in pop. Average concert costs \$20. Website: <a href="www.930.com">www.930.com</a> Metro: U Street/African American Memorial

6. The Black Cat: This music venue is much grungier than the rest. Very few big names come through, but there are dance parties every Friday and a great lineup of bands trying to make it. Tickets are usually \$10-15.

Website: www.blackcatdc.com Metro: U Street/African American Memorial

7. Columbia Station: Right on 18st in Adams Morgan, this is a popular late night destination for jazz and blues. Open until 6 a.m. on weekends. There is no cover charge on the weekends, but drinks can be on the pricier side.

Website: <a href="https://www.yelp.com/biz/columbia-station-washington">www.yelp.com/biz/columbia-station-washington</a> Metro: Woodley Park/Adams Morgan

8. **Ibiza:** Northeast dance club and restaurant. Three rooms for dancing and a rooftop deck. Cover charge is \$20.

Website: <a href="https://www.ibizadc.com">www.ibizadc.com</a> Metro: Farragut North

9. DC9 Nightclub: Always buzzing. Ground level is free of cover 7 days a week while the upper floor hosts local and national bands and DJ's. Average ticket price is \$15.

Website: www.dcnine.com Metro: U Street/African American Memorial



1. Screen On The Green: Every Monday from July 14 to August 11 you can watch a classic movie steps away from the Washington Monument. Past films have included "Casablanca" and "Rocky." Thousands of fans turn out every week.

Website: <a href="https://www.dc.about.com/od/specialevents/a/Screengreen.htm">www.dc.about.com/od/specialevents/a/Screengreen.htm</a> Cost: Free

2. DC Caribbean Carnival: More than 25 bands of color masqueraders and participants representing every Caribbean country combine to make this one of the fastest growing Carnivals in North America. The Carnival takes place on June 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

Website: <a href="http://godc.about.com/od/annualevents/p/caribbeancarn.htm">http://godc.about.com/od/annualevents/p/caribbeancarn.htm</a> Cost: Free

- 3. Capital Fringe Festival: For eleven days in July, D.C. hosts a wide range of performers in every kind of art. The festival takes place in 20 different venues around town. Website: <a href="https://www.capfringe.org">www.capfringe.org</a> Cost: Depends on performance
- 4. Smithsonian Folklife Festival: A very popular festival featuring community-based cultural exemplars.

Website: www.folklife.si.edu/ Cost: Free

5. Jazz In The Garden: All kinds of jazz musicians play in the National Gallery of Art's Sculpture Garden every Friday. This year you'll have the chance to hear salsa, Brazilian jazz and fusion rock.

Website: <a href="http://www.nga.gov/programs/jazz/">http://www.nga.gov/programs/jazz/</a> Cost: Free

- 6. Wooly Mammoth Theatre Company: Theatre performances for as much as what's in your pocket. "Pay What You Can" tickets must be purchased 90 minutes before show time. Website: <a href="https://www.woollymammoth.net/">www.woollymammoth.net/</a> Cost: Pay What You Can
- 7. Kennedy's Center Millennium Stage: Every evening at 6 p.m. you can watch a musical act for...FREE!

Website: <a href="https://www.kennedy-center.org/">www.kennedy-center.org/</a> Cost: Free

8. Washington Nationals Baseball Games: During the entire summer, grandstand seating is only \$5.

Website: www.nationals.com Cost: Depends on seating

9. National Barbeque Battle: Thousands of people join from around the country to compete for the title of National Pork BBQ Champion. During the festival, you can try food samples, attend cooking demonstrations and participate in various contests and raffles. The Battle takes place June 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

Website: <a href="www.bbqdc.com">www.bbqdc.com</a> Cost: \$10 Admission



### 1. Grocery Store Locations:

- Whole Foods: 2323 Wisconsin Ave NW (Georgetown), 1440 P Street NW (Dupont Circle), 4530 40th St NW, Washington (Tenleytown)
- Giant: 4303 Connecticut Avenue, N.W (Van Ness), 1345 Park Road NW (Columbia Heights), 1414 8<sup>th</sup> St NW (Dupont Circle)
- Trader Joe's: 1101 25st NW (Foggy Bottom), 6831 Wisconsin Avenue (Bethesda)
- Safeway: 4203 Davenport St NW (Tenleytown), 2550 Virginia Ave NW (Foggy Bottom),
   1747 Columbia Road NW (Adams Morgan), 1855 Wisconsin Ave (Georgetown)

## 2. Emergency Numbers:

• Poison Center: (202) 625-3333

• Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department: (202) 673-3331

• Emergency Systems: 911 For Emergencies/311 For Non-Emergencies

## 3. Hospitals:

• Howard University Hospital:

Website: www.huhealthcare.com (202) 865-6100

• Washington Hospital Center:

Website: www.whcenter.org (202) 877-3627

• George Washington Hospital:

Website: www.gwhospital.com (202) 715-4000

Georgetown University <u>Hospital</u>:

Website: www.georgetownuniversityhospital.org (202) 444-2000

#### 4. Alert D.C.:

- When an incident or emergency occurs, authorized D.C. Homeland Security & Emergency Management personnel can rapidly notify you using this community alert system. Alert D.C. is your personal connection to real-time updates, instructions on where to go, what to do, or what not to do, who to contact and other important information (<a href="www.alertdc.gov">www.alertdc.gov</a>)
- Sign up for Text and Voice alerts on their website: <a href="https://textalert.ema.dc.gov/index.php?ccheck=1">https://textalert.ema.dc.gov/index.php?ccheck=1</a>



